

# OREGON POTATOES



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## Potato Stocks Up 11 Percent from April 2009

The 13 major potato States held 129 million cwt of potatoes in storage April 1, 2010, up 11 percent from a year ago. Potatoes in storage accounted for 34 percent of the 2009 fall storage States' production, 3 percentage points above April 1, 2009. Klamath Basin stocks totaled 1.40 million cwt on April 1, 2010, down 3 percent from a year ago. Klamath Basin stocks include potatoes stored in California and Klamath County, Oregon. Potato disappearance, at 255 million cwt, was slightly above April 1, 2009. Season-to-date shrink and loss, at 24.4 million cwt, was up 18 percent from the same date in 2009.

Processors in the 9 major States have used 125 million cwt of potatoes this season, down 6 percent from the same period last year. Dehydrating usage accounted for 23.0 million cwt of the total processing, down 7 percent from last year.

### Fall potatoes: Production and stocks, 2008 and 2009 crops <sup>1</sup>

State	2008 Crop			2009 Crop		
	Production	Total stocks Apr 1, 2009	Apr 1 stocks as % of production	Production	Total stocks Apr 1, 2010	Apr 1 stocks as % of production
	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>Percent</i>
California	3,948	800	20	4,158	900	22
Colorado	21,907	9,000	41	22,080	8,100	37
Idaho	116,475	45,000	39	131,000	51,000	39
Maine	14,769	5,600	38	15,263	6,000	39
Michigan	14,875	1,800	12	15,660	1,200	8
Minnesota	20,400	6,400	31	20,700	7,300	35
Montana	3,465	2,100	61	3,347	2,000	60
Nebraska	8,245	2,200	27	8,756	2,200	25
New York	5,696	700	12	4,950	500	10
North Dakota	22,680	6,300	28	19,125	5,000	26
<b>Oregon</b>	<b>18,676</b>	<b>7,400</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>21,460</b>	<b>8,000</b>	<b>37</b>
Washington	93,000	23,700	25	88,450	28,300	32
Wisconsin	25,730	4,800	19	28,980	8,600	30
<b>13 State Total</b>	<b>369,866</b>	<b>115,800</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>383,929</b>	<b>129,100</b>	<b>34</b>
Klamath Basin <sup>2</sup>	-	1,450	-	-	1,400	-

<sup>1</sup> Stocks include processor holdings and most of the seed to plant the following year's crop. Seed usage to plant all seasons of the 2009 crop totaled 24.5 million cwt.

<sup>2</sup> Includes potato stocks in CA and Klamath Co., OR. Included in the 13 State total.

### Fall Potatoes: Production and stocks, Oregon and major states total, 2005-2009

Location and crop year	Production	Total stocks						
		Dec 1	Following year					
			Jan 1	Feb 1	Mar 1	Apr 1	May 1	Jun 1
	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>
<b>Oregon</b>								
2005	22,023	19,000	16,500	14,500	11,500	8,500	5,000	2,300
2006	18,533	16,000	13,900	11,700	9,700	7,600	4,800	2,300
2007	20,293	18,000	16,100	13,900	11,600	9,200	6,400	4,200
2008	18,676	16,100	14,100	12,000	9,800	7,400	5,300	3,400
2009	21,460	17,400	15,000	12,900	10,700	8,000	-	-
<b>13 Major states</b>								
2005	375,118	253,800	220,500	189,100	155,500	115,700	75,900	41,560
2006	389,527	258,900	225,800	192,200	159,500	120,900	79,050	44,460
2007	397,753	265,500	232,300	199,300	163,400	125,500	83,960	50,420
2008	369,866	243,700	213,200	183,900	152,700	115,800	78,100	45,300
2009 <sup>1</sup>	383,929	265,800	235,300	203,400	169,800	129,100	-	-

<sup>1</sup> March 1, 2010 stocks revised.

### Potatoes: Used for processing, selected areas, 2007, 2008 and 2009 crops <sup>1</sup>

Storage season	To Dec 1	To Jan 1	To Feb 1	To Mar 1	To Apr 1	To May 1	To June 1	Entire season
	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>
Idaho and Oregon-(Malheur County)								
2007-2008	26,230	33,250	40,310	48,660	55,460	63,000	70,700	88,030
2008-2009	22,380	28,980	35,430	42,150	49,030	55,570	62,940	77,340
<b>2009-2010</b>	<b>23,110</b>	<b>29,180</b>	<b>35,170</b>	<b>42,050</b>	<b>49,170</b>	-	-	-
Washington and Oregon-(other areas)								
2007-2008	30,595	36,940	42,350	50,165	57,160	67,690	72,380	82,770
2008-2009	32,560	38,050	42,795	49,865	56,350	62,635	70,625	81,260
<b>2009-2010</b>	<b>25,350</b>	<b>31,200</b>	<b>36,490</b>	<b>43,750</b>	<b>50,170</b>	-	-	-
Maine <sup>2</sup>								
2007-2008	1,700	2,170	2,815	3,440	3,990	4,670	5,240	7,550
2008-2009	1,635	2,240	2,895	3,515	4,005	4,795	5,540	7,545
<b>2009-2010</b>	<b>1,575</b>	<b>2,060</b>	<b>2,680</b>	<b>3,265</b>	<b>3,915</b>	-	-	-
Other states <sup>3</sup>								
2007-2008	15,040	17,535	20,755	23,900	26,650	29,710	32,600	39,430
2008-2009	12,480	15,120	18,165	21,030	24,025	26,515	29,590	37,285
<b>2009-2010</b>	<b>10,605</b>	<b>13,260</b>	<b>16,225</b>	<b>18,920</b>	<b>21,525</b>	-	-	-
Total								
2007-2008	73,565	89,895	106,230	126,165	143,260	165,070	180,920	217,780
2008-2009	69,055	84,390	99,285	116,560	133,410	149,515	168,695	203,430
<b>2009-2010 <sup>4</sup></b>	<b>60,640</b>	<b>75,700</b>	<b>90,565</b>	<b>107,985</b>	<b>124,780</b>	-	-	-
Dehydrated <sup>5</sup>								
2007-2008	12,815	16,785	21,040	25,350	29,500	33,650	37,975	46,660
2008-2009	10,675	14,490	18,335	21,465	24,875	28,195	31,870	39,345
<b>2009-2010</b>	<b>10,945</b>	<b>13,950</b>	<b>17,065</b>	<b>19,800</b>	<b>23,045</b>	-	-	-

<sup>1</sup> Total quantity received and used for processing regardless of the state in which the potatoes were produced.

<sup>2</sup> Includes Maine grown potatoes only. Amounts exclude quantities used for potato chips.

<sup>3</sup> CO, MN, NV, and WI. Monthly amounts exclude quantities used for potato chips in WI.

<sup>4</sup> March 1, 2010 revised.

<sup>5</sup> Dehydrated products except starch and flour. Includes CO, ID, NV, ND, OR, WA, and WI.

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